

In the Claims

Claims 1-54. (Canceled).

Claim 55. (Amended) ~~The soluble polypeptide of claim 53~~ A soluble polypeptide comprising in sequence short consensus repeats (SCR) 1, 2 and 3 of long homologous repeat A (LHR-A) (SEQ ID NO: 59) with a substitution of at least one SCR native amino, wherein the soluble polypeptide is CM7 (SEQ ID NO.1).

Claim 56. (Previously presented) The soluble polypeptide of claim 55, wherein the soluble polypeptide further comprises a C-terminal cysteine (SEQ ID NO. 31).

Claims 57-66. (Canceled).